

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.T.E. 04-113 D.T.E. 04-117 December 8, 2004

Petition of Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric for approval of (1) its 2004 Transition Cost Reconciliation Filing, pursuant to G.L. c.164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy in D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23, and (2) a proposed increase to its standard offer service fuel adjustment.

On December 7, 2004, pursuant to G.L. c.164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved in <u>Boston Edison Company</u>, D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23 (1998), Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric ("BECo" or "Company") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") its 2004 reconciliation filing, which consists of the reconciliation of transition, transmission, standard offer and default service costs and revenues, and proposed updated charges and tariffs to be effective January 1, 2005. The Department docketed this filing as D.T.E. 04-113. The Department approved BECo's 2003 reconciliation filing in <u>Boston Edison Company</u>, D.T.E. 03-117 (2003).

For 2005, BECo proposes a transition charge of \$ 0.02335 per kilowatthour ("KWH"); an average transmission charge of \$ 0.00580 per KWH; and a default service adjustment factor of zero.

In addition, on December 7, 2004, BECo submitted for approval tariffs designed to increase the standard offer service fuel adjustment to \$0.01564 cents per KWH effective January 1, 2005 (M.D.T.E. No. 102F). The Department docketed this filing as D.T.E. 04-117.

Any persons wishing to submit written comments on these filings should file as follows: (1) an original with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary; (2) one copy with the assigned Hearing Officer, Shaela McNulty Collins; and (3) two (2) copies with Mark Barrett, Rates and Revenue Requirements Division. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) Friday, **December 17**, **2004**.

All written documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and to Shaela.Collins@state.ma.us; or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 04-113/D.T.E. 04-117), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., Initial Comments or Petition to Intervene). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Website, http://www.mass.gov/dte.

A copy of BECo's filings are available at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public viewing during business hours. Copies are also available for public viewing at BECo's offices, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02199. Any person desiring further information regarding BECo's filings should contact Robert W. Werlin, Esquire, at (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Shaela McNulty Collins, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.

BECo shall serve a copy of this notice on all the participants in <u>Boston Edison</u> Company, D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23 (1998); <u>Boston Edison Company</u>, D.T.E. 97-113 (1998); <u>Boston Edison Company</u>, D.T.E. 02-80A (2003); <u>Boston Edison Company</u>, D.T.E. 03-117 (2003), and to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Company no later than Monday, **December 13, 2004**, and make return of service at the close of the comment period.

By Order of the Department,